



2023 Quarterly Update



APA Annual Meeting Highlights

*Addolreza Saadabadi, MD
CCPS President*

Dear CCPS Members,

As we step into the fall season and anticipate the joy of the upcoming holidays, I want to extend a warm invitation to all of you. Our dedicated CME Planning Committee has been hard at work crafting an engaging lineup of presentations for our 2024 Annual Meeting. This exceptional event is scheduled to be held at the scenic Monterey Plaza Hotel and Spa from March 8th to 10th, 2024.

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TRIBUTE TO CAPTANE THOMSON, MD, DLFAPA



Shannon Suo, MD, DLFAPA
APA Assembly Representative

Cap Thompson's Celebration of Life was held at the Davis Unitarian Church on Sept 23, where hundreds of friends and family packed into the church, lobby, and even stood just outside to pay their respects. Karen Larsen (former director of Yolo County Health and Human Services/current CEO of the Steinberg Institute), Mike Meeks (past-president, CCPS), Randal Hagar (legislative advocate, Psychiatric Physicians Alliance of California/formerly of the California Psychiatric Association), and myself were invited to speak about Cap's impact from a professional's perspective.

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Ravi Goklaney, MD, DLFAPA
Outreach & Funding and Government Affairs
Committee Chair

I write today with great sorrow and sadness the Legend, Dr Captane Thomson of CCPS passed away in July 2023. His loss is felt by CCPS, CSAP, and by APA. Cap Thomson served his patients and the advocacy for his patients and their families until the last day of his life. The last time I saw him was on the Zoom meeting of CSAP Government affairs committee on June 15th, 2023.

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Kern Chapter Update

Nandhini Madhanagopal , MD
Kern Chapter President



Itwinder Sivia, MD
Kern Chapter President-Elect

On July 26, 2023, the Central California Psychiatric Society (CCPS) Kern Chapter held a meeting at the Seven Oaks Country Club located in Bakersfield, California. During this gathering, the Kern County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of Jeff Flores, extended official recognition to the CCPS Kern Chapter for exemplary public service. The honor was formally presented to CCPS Kern Chapter President, Dr. Madhanagopal, and shared with all the members present at the assembly.

This meeting held particular significance as it marked a beginning of the academic year and provided the chapter with a unique opportunity to extend a warm welcome to new Resident Physician members from the UCLA-Kern Psychiatry Residency Program. Furthermore, the meeting offered a platform to introduce and embrace new council members who assumed roles within the chapter. The gathering also served as an occasion for reconnecting with esteemed colleagues from the past. The evening unfolded with a congenial atmosphere, dinner, and stimulating discussions centered on advocacy.





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